

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: SANO  
Serial No.: 09/712,104  
Filed: November 14, 2000  
For: PLL CIRCUIT AND DATA READ-OUT CIRCUIT  
Group: 2627 Confirmation No. 9234  
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**AMENDMENT C UNDER RULE 116**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action mailed August 21, 2006.

Please amend the Application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 52 of this Amendment.

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